



THE SANDPIPER



THE WEEKLY MEMBERSHIP NEWSLETTER OF THE KIWANIS CLUB OF SAND LAKE, NY

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MEETING OF APRIL 7, 2014

PRESIDENT ELECT Linda Ellis presiding

GREETINGS & INVOCATION by **Bill Whipple**

GUESTS: Ed Brewer, Castleton/Schodack Kiwanis Club (left)



Julie Suscietto, Sunoco "On The Go" Mini Mart, prospective corporate member
(shown here with John Brownrigg)

PROJECT SIGNUP SHEETS

DOORS OF HOPE, unloading food truck

Tues Apr 15th: **Daniels, Loveridge, Patton, Ginther**

21st MONTHLY PASTA DINNER @ WSL Firehouse, Saturday, April 12th:

12 – 7, Setup & Cook: **L&L Ellis, Loveridge, Brownrigg**

3 – 5:30, Setup & Serve: **Lane, Colabelli, Weiss**

3:30 – 7, Cashiers: **Ward**

5 – 7:30, Serve & Takedown: **Hamlin, Lane, Weiss**

SL SENIORS LUNCHEON @ Church of the Covenant, Thurs Apr 10th (fmly Feb 13th & Mar 13th):

9:30 – 1:30: *Trupia, Booker*

10:30 – 1:30: *James, Lane, Linda Ellis*

11:30 – 1:30: *Meislin, Mulligan, Hamlin, Davis, Patton, Daniels, Weiss*

DIVISION COUNCIL MEETING @ Rensselaer, 6:30, Thurs Apr 24th, Ham dinner, \$20:

Booker, Lane, Weiss, Ward

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE @ Church of the Covenant, Fri Apr 25th:

12 – 1 Set Up: *Davis*

6 – 7 Take Down: *Davis, Patton*

1 – 3:30 Registration: *Ward*

1 – 3:30 Canteen: *Weiss*

3:30 – 6 Registration: *Lane*

3:30 – 6 Canteen: _____

KIWANIS FAMILY FUN DAY @ Schodack Town Park, Sat May 10th, 12 – 4:

Lane, Weiss

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❖ **Sec Dave:** Lt Governor Harleen is seeking a person interested in serving as the Van Rensselaer Division Manager for PR and Marketing. Please call or email her (or Sec Dave) if you are interested in serving in this capacity.
- ❖ **Ed Brewer:** I'm here to invite everyone to the Castleton/Schodack Kiwanis Club's 75th Anniversary celebration at Birch Hill in Schodack on Friday, May 2nd beginning with a cash bar at 6 pm followed by dinner at 7 pm. Menu includes London broil, chicken parmesan, or pasta primavera for \$30pp or \$55/couple. Paid reservations, with dinner choices, are due by April 22nd to Loretta Branigan, 455 Muitzeskill Road, Schodack Landing, NY 12156. More information is available from Loretta at lbtobin59@gmail.com or by calling (518) 669-1039. All Kiwanians and guests are welcome. There will be a short program following dinner with recognition of some very special people, and music provided by our area's own band "Missing Link." Hope to see you all there!
- ❖ **Pres Stu:** I was absent last week because I attended the RAAD (Rage Against Alcohol & Drugs) meeting at Poestenkill School. About 160 or more people attended because they are concerned with the rise in drug addiction, particularly heroin, in our school district, plus the increasing number of car accidents related to both alcohol and drugs. There were stories from a couple of recovering addicts relating how they started and how they stopped. They testified that a period of 90 days rather than 30 is needed for rehabilitation, and that the best results came when addicts were located out of their familiar area to keep them from going back to the "bad company" that helped get them addicted.

PRESENTATIONS

Pres-Elect Linda congratulated **Jim Colabelli** (aka *Avram the Bookseller!*) for 20 years of perfect attendance, telling him that because he was absent last week when the pin tab was scheduled to be presented, he would have to start all over again! But then she relented!

Congratulations, Jim, for all that faithfulness!



APRIL BIRTHDAYS: Linda Ellis, Dick Johnsen, **Stuart Nippes**, Jim Parslow, **Bob Pasquarelli**



APRIL ANNIVERSARIES: none this month, so we sang, raggedly, to the 3 birthday babies, and really enjoyed Eve's fabulous carrot cake!

PROGRAM



Senior Services Chair Bill Whipple related some of the activities his committee, also consisting of Joe Trupia and Gary Meislin, has performed for the seniors of our area. The annual luncheon served to the Sand Lake Seniors at the Church of the Covenant normally takes place for Valentine's Day, but due to our cold and snowy winter, was postponed to St Patrick's Day, and again, for the same reason, is now to be served this Thursday, April 10th. Hopefully there will be fair weather! Our Social Chair Eve Ward serves a Holiday Luncheon to the seniors living at Brookside during the week between Christmas and New Year's, but encountered a snowstorm too, so it was held in February this year! The Senior Services Committee was created in 1994, when John Brownrigg was president and Joe Trupia was the first chairman. The first big project of the committee was the installation of a flagpole for the community. Bill ended on a humorous note by relating a great April Fool's joke played this year by Burger King who advertised a special "left handed Whopper" which had "all the condiments applied in a counter clockwise direction to facilitate eating by their left handed customers." Burger King actually had many orders for this "new" Whopper!

HAPPY DOLLARS

- \$ Pete Stevens:** My wife was due home from a trip and I was frantically trying to clean up before her arrival, when I had a surprise visit from my brother who lives in FL! The happy part was that he had to help me do the work!
- \$ Kevin Sarsfield:** Phyllis and I traveled to Washington, DC—cold; Myrtle Beach—cold; Florida—hot; back to Myrtle Beach where I threw my back out. But had weeks of golf!
- \$ Jim Colabelli:** Thankfully, the final performance of *Fiddler on the Roof* was last week. I'm glad it's over, but also glad I did it—my first stage appearance! Jan and I took a few days and went to FL to relax and soak up that 80 degree sunshine!
- \$ Pat Lane:** We were supporting Kiwanis even though we didn't go to the concert. Four of us, Peg Weiss, Eve Ward, Linda Ellis, and my friend Sharon, went to the RPI Circle K sponsored Iron Chef Competition, and judged the food of 8 teams—some good, some not so good, but they all worked very hard. The secret ingredient was avocado, and the proceeds go to charity!

\$ Joe Behson: Last week I was absent, not because I was skiing, but I was in the ER with Margaret who injured her knee! Turned out it was not as bad as expected, and she's doing fine now. Here is another \$6, a penny for each of the 600 attendees at Friday's concert of the *Dissipated Eight*, who gave their usual superb performance! We went to the Arlington House afterward and found 4 SLKs who were already there partying!



Thanks to Barb for the picture

\$ Barb Fioravanti: I forgot to tell about a cool part of my flight to FL: we went a day early, and spent a great time relaxing and swimming before the official activities started! I took my granddaughters to the D8 performance which they really enjoyed, but wanted to know why there were no girls in the group!

\$ Stu Nippes: I was working and couldn't go!

\$ John Brownrigg: Since Bob Loveridge couldn't be here, I'm escorting Julie Suscietto, who represents Sunoco "On The Go" Mini Mart, a prospective corporate member! I was not able to attend the D8 concert since I was imbibing cocktails infused with barium, which prolonged the "outcome"—but, the final answer was no cancer! So that's happy!

DOOR PRIZE, provided by Bill Whipple, was won by **Peg Weiss!**

50/50 for \$20 was won by **Gary Meislin**, in absentia! Sec Dave promised to give it to Gary.

PROGRESSIVE 50/50, worth \$618.50 this week, is still hiding that King of Clubs with the 22 remaining cards. **Stu Nippes** couldn't do any better than the King.....of Diamonds! No cigar!



COMING WEEKS...

APRIL 14 PROGRAM: **Miller Young, Pharmacy Procedures**
GREETER/INVOCATOR: **George Raneri**

APRIL 21 PROGRAM: **Barb Fioravanti, John Mulligan, Janet Malecki**
Key Club Officer Installation
GREETER/INVOCATOR: **Rose Metchick**

APRIL 28 PROGRAM: **Jim Hoffman, Supt of AP School District**
Averill Park's School Budget
GREETER/INVOCATOR: **Woodie Hacker**

MAY 5 PROGRAM: **Bob Loveridge & Bryce Ginther**
Update on Young Children Priority #1 Committee
GREETER/INVOCATOR: **Jim Rogers**

MAY 12 PROGRAM: *Stuart Nippes*
Annual Meeting & Election of Officers for 2014-2015
GREETER/INVOCATOR: *Eve Ward*

MAY 19 PROGRAM: *Jim Rogers*
GREETER/INVOCATOR/CERTIFICATE: *Lyndon Ellis*

MAY 26 NO MEETING -- MEMORIAL DAY -- PARADE

SPIRITUAL THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

“Failure is the condiment that gives success its flavor.”

Truman Capote

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

ROLL CALL: Present: Pres Nippes, Pres-Elect Ellis, Sec Booker, Treas Pasquarelli;
Directors Behson, Daniels, Lane, Fioravanti, Malecki, Brownrigg, Ward, Whipple
Absent: Immed Past Pres Gates, Director Loveridge

SECRETARY'S MINUTES of March 3, 2014 were approved
TREASURER'S REPORT Balance as of March 31, 2014 was \$33801.58

HIGHLIGHTS OF COMMITTEE REPORTS

Community Services (Loveridge/Ginther): Unloaded food truck at Doors of Hope twice/month
Poestenkill Elementary School Discovery Days: served food to 300+ students and parents
Community Lettered Signs: Relocated & relettered signs for one club event (D8 concert) and one
community event (WSL Elementary School Carnival)

Interclub (Pasquarelli): 8 members attended Governor's visit at The Desmond
8 members attended Division Council at North Greenbush Club

Membership & Education (Behson): Former member re-inducted as active member
Corporate member being considered

Senior Services (Whipple): Preparing for twice postponed SL Seniors Luncheon
Purchased 2 coffeemakers for Brookside Seniors Community Room

Sponsored Youth (Fioravanti/Mulligan/Malecki):
Key Club: attended two Key Club meetings
Builders Club: attended three Builders Club meetings; donated \$100 towards building 2
benches for students waiting to be picked up
K-Kids: attended 3 hours of meetings; students collecting bottles & tops as a fund raiser,
collecting clothes for St Paul's shelter; collecting used books for student use.
Have been selling popcorn at school as a fund raiser; so far \$450 was raised for
Toys for Tots, \$400 for Ronald McDonald House, \$300 for American Heart Assn.
Making place mats for a nursing home and posters for the school carnival.

Ways & Means (Linda Ellis): Monthly Pasta Dinner served 50 meals, \$269.67 for EliMiNaTe.
14 members attended one or both Summerfest Planning meetings.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Food Trailer Design Contest: tabled until the fall
2. Junior Achievement Funding Request: to be considered by Youth Services Committee
3. Participation in SLBA Welcome Wagon & creation of Club Brochure: tabled to May

NEW BUSINESS

1. SLCA Program Book ad: ½ page for \$200 approved
2. Tent Request: SL Garden Club request for large tent for Plant Sale Fri May 9th, to be returned Sat May 10—approved—John Mulligan responsible Kiwanian
3. Election of Corporate Member: Sunoco On The Go Mini Mart approved as corporate member, with Julie Suscietto as representative
4. Funding request for Student Ambassador, referred to Youth Services; committee will ask to have a program presented to Club before considering request
5. Donation to Autism Research, Governor's project: tabled until May

DIVISION NEWS

Castleton/Schodack Club will celebrate its 75th Anniversary Sat May 2nd at Birch Hill

DISTRICT NEWS

“Invite A Guest” contest ends May 1st

INTERNATIONAL

Amendments to be considered at Tokyo Convention:

B&D insurance for North American Clubs;

Allowing KI to remove individual club members for “illegal or unacceptable behavior involving youth & to prevent such members from rejoining another Kiwanis club;”

To allow Kiwanis to spend money in the “magazine fund” for other than publishing the Kiwanis Magazine;

To “investigate replacing in-person voting with online voting for business normally conducted at the Kiwanis International convention: elections, amendments, and resolutions.”

BILLS authorized for payment.